

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

IN-PERSON JURY CRIMINAL TRIAL

United States of America,)	COURT MINUTES
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Plaintiff,)	BEFORE: Paul A. Magnuson
)	United States District Judge
v.)	
)	Case No: 21-CR-108(2) (3) (4) (PAM/TNL)
)	Date: Monday, January 24, 2022
Tou Thao (2),)	Courthouse: Saint Paul
J Alexander Kueng, (3),)	Courtroom: 7D
Thomas Kiernan Lane (4),)	Deputy: Lynn L. Magee
)	Court Reporter: Renee Rogge
Defendants.)	Time Commenced: 9:30 a.m.
)	Time Concluded: 4:45 p.m.
)	Time in Court: 5 Hours 45 Minutes

APPEARANCES:

Plaintiff: LeeAnn Bell, Samantha Trepel, Manda Sertich, Allen Slaughter

Defendants: Robert Paule, Natalie Paule – Thao (2)
Thomas Plunkett – Kueng (3)
Earl Gray – Lane (4)

PROCEEDINGS:

Pretrial Discussions with Counsel (9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.)
Jurors Sworn-In and Jury Instruction (10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.)
Opening Statement (Samantha Trepel) (10:30 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.)
Opening Statement (Robert Paule – Defendant (2)) (11:15 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.)
Opening Statement (Thomas Plunkett – Defendant (3)) (11:55 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)
Break (12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.)
Trial Discussions with Counsel (1:50 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)
Opening Statement (Earl Gray – Defendant (4)) (2:05 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.)
Witness Testimony (Kimberly Meline, FBI) (3:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.)

Jury Trial will continue on Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., in Courtroom 7D, Saint Paul Courthouse.

Date: Monday, January 24, 2022

s/Lynn L. Magee
Courtroom Deputy to
The Hon. Paul A. Magnuson